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FOR LITTLE FOLKS.

Dorothy Drew.

There is one small being in Great Britain who will feel nothing but unalloyed delight at the retirement of Mr. Gladstone from public life. That is Dorothy Drew, the Grand Old Man's little granddaughter, who considers him the



most delightful playmate in the world, and who has resented hitherto, very bitterly, the necessity that called him from her to the nation. She is a winsome young woman, and people who have seen the two together declare that there is no pleasanter sight in all England than that of the aged statesman romping with the curly haired child.— Chicago Tribune.

The Missionary Children.

Bobbie lived in the country where they had little schooling. One day their teacher told them of a country called Japan, away across the sea. She said that missionaries were sent to help the poor, and sometimes children sent toys to the poor little boys and girls.

After the children reached home they went to the nursery and found some toys they had thrown away and ran outdoors down to the stream. Then Frank put his little rocking horse and ball in the water, and Mary put her doll and doll trunk in it, and Lucy put her doll in, and little Bobbie put his little wheel-barrow in the water with a piece of paper in it. This was a letter to the little

When the children had finished, they sat down and watched the toys float off. They soon forgot about the toys, and never thought again about the people across the ocean.

One day an old fisherman farther down the stream was out in his boat, when he saw in the distance a little red speck that was stuck in the mud on the bank of the river. He rowed to the spot and picked the little red wheelbarrow up that Bobbie had sent to the Japs, and in it was the paper. So the man opened it, and he read as follows:

DEAR LITTLE JAPAN PEOPLE-We send you these toys today floating across the ocean from a country that is miles away. From Bobbie, Lucy, Mary and Frank Brown.

But they never got to Japan at all.

New York Recorder.

Bobby's Basket of Eggs. In the bine eggs, Bobby-Come, you guess the rest-Don't you think the violets Make their dainty nest?

In the yellow, sweetheart-Let us hope 'tis true-Lurk the lonely buttercups Till the spring is new.



In the red ones, dearle, From the wind that shricks,

All the pretty little pinks Hide their rosy cheeks.

"Is it just a fairy tale? Is it truly so?"
How can I tell, Bobby-What do grown folks know?

The Return of the Locusts. This is the year when the 17-year locust, the red eyed cicada, is announced to return. But of the 500 eggs the female lays only two reach maturity. If you are interested in insects, you should watch for the coming of these strange little creatures. They appear some time in May in the southern states and in June farther north. Many scientists have given years to their study. You might try to get the reports of the state entomologists, which will be sure to give you all the information you want, and then you might by observation make some discovery for yourselves. Boys,

please do. In certain countries the coming of this locust is always regarded with superstitious dread, people imagining that the tracings on their wings point to coming disasters, like wars or pestilences. - New York Journal.

His Thoughts. Auntie-A penny for your thoughts. Little Nephew-I was thinkin that if I kep' real quiet and pretended to be thinkin you'd wonder what I was thinkin about and say jus' what you did. Gimme the penny.-Good News.

A Tiny Person's Pets. I have a tiny pup.

'Tis not much he can do,
But yet he can sit up,
And drink out of a cup,
And beg a cake from you.

And how I wish you knew My kit with eyes of blue. She'll catch her tail and pur And clean her snow white fur, And well she does it too.



SPRING COWNS FOR YOUNG CIRLS.

The figure on the right represents a gown of striped cheviot, resada and tan. The overdress is of olive green camel's hair, with gold sontache. The central figure shows a frock of dotted and embroidered Swiss, with blue ribbons and blue sash. That on the left is of flecked Italian cheviot, fawn and dark brown. The hercules braid trimming is of light fawn.

THE COLORADO ELECTIONS.

Over Half of the Vote Cast by Wives, Mothers and Sweethearts.

The elections just past in Colorado have shown conclusively that the women there want to vote. In a majority of the wards of Denver more than half the votes were cast by women. Though it was an unusually exciting election, good order was kept. The ladies were everywhere treated with courtesy, and all the voting places were adorned with flowers. The "filthy pool of politics" seemed to have given place to a garden. The Denver Republican says:

The suburban elections proved the truth of the sentiment, "The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that moves the world." Women demonstrated the fact that they have become a power in politics; that they propose to assert the rights of elective franchise, and that they constitute a force that will sadly disarrange the schemes of politicians. The argument which was freely used to vote—appears to be fallacious. They of the illicit saloons, and women all not only want to vote, but they im- over our country are gaining some dim proved their first opportunity to mingle with other citizens in an attempt to secure good government. About the booths in the various precincts were seen ample evidences of the refining influences of

Over 50 per cent of the vote was cast by women. It is impossible to ascertain the exact proportion, but the judges of election report in every precinct that from 40 to 60 out of every 100 votes were deposited by wives, mothers and sweethearts. As a rule, they came to the polls quietly, and after depositing the ballot departed to their homes. Many, however, took a hand-no one would be rude enough to say mouth-in the task of convincing the undecided. Carriages were at command, and in every precinct where it was found that a woman had not voted a conveyance, in which was seated one of the committee of women, was sent post haste after the tardy sister.

There were candidates to be voted for, there were party tickets in the field; there was the usual well oiled machinery manipulated these many years by the sterner sex, but the question of who would fill minor positions was entirely lost sight of in the all absorbing query, Will the women vote? As the day progressed it was apparent that the largest vote ever polled in the suburbs was to be recorded, the whole problem was lifted out of the realm of doubt, and many defeated candidates retired for the night satisfied that hereafter woman's influence at the polls must be given some consideration.

As an evidence that women have not yet learned the wiles of the ward barnacle, it may be stated that they voted early and not one of 'them voted often. It may just as truthfully be said that there is no danger of their ever waiting till the hour strikes to give the highest bidder a show.

Another myth was exploded. There are some intricacies about the Australian system of voting, and it was feared that the seclusion of the booth would be too much for the nerves of the fair sex, and they would occupy more than the five minutes allowed to prepare the ballot, and then might not know just what to do with the piece of paper popularly supposed to represent the freeman's will. Vain illusion! In almost every case the woman voter stepped briskly into the three walled apartment, made a dash or two with the pen-oftener one-and was promptly back to hand the ballot to the judge. It was neatly folded and brought forth the remark, "That woman understands her

business!" From the time the polls opened at 8 a. m. until they closed at 7 p. m. the women were far more active in the hard work than were the men. It was not so much an effort on their part to secure the election of any particular candidate as to make certain that every one of their sex entitled to do so exercised that

Another fact was shown-that hereafter the florist will anticipate election time, and that it will reap for him a harvest with which the marriage feast and the last obsequies bear no comparison. On the tables at every polling place there were handsome bouquets, and the greenhouses were robbed of their choicest gifts. Precinct 10 had the voting booths in the building connected with Grimes' conservatory, and almost every flower was utilized.

Not Fair Play. Would women vote? I confidently answer yes. Majorities of men must be in favor of woman's vote before it will be granted, since only by their will can this change come. When they have grown so large minded and generous hearted as to welcome woman to a place beside them upon the throne of government, women will not be at all backward about coming forward. King Majority will find his suit not less successful than have been those of lesser kings against the indorsement of equal suffrage | since time began. In some of the states -that women themselves did not wish | women have voted, much to the terror idea that for one-half the race to be wholly governed by laws made and administered by the other half is not fair play. - Miss Frances E. Willard.

Fair Assembly District Workers.

Some very distinguished men of New York city have allowed their wives to "actively consider" amendments to the state constitution. Among the exclusive 500 who are circulating a petition to strike out the word "male" as a qualification for voters are the wives of the Rev. Arthur Brooks, the Rev. R. S. MacArthur, the Rev. Henry M. Sanders, the Rev. W. S. Rainsford and the daughter of Bishop Potter; also Mrs. Russell Sage, Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Mrs. Robert Nicholl, Mrs. Robert B. Minturn, Mrs. William J. Schieffelin, Mrs. Charles Russell Lowell, Dr. Mary Jacobi and Dr. Emily Blackwell.-New York Correspondence.

SAVED HERSELF.

How a Girl of Dramatic Instincts Took a Part.

"Mercy on us!" cried Elaine's dearest friend as she bound into the room and deposited her bundles on a chair, "you look very nice today, and, yes, there is a bunch of roses on the table. Somebody has evi-dently been here. Who was he, and what are you laughing at?"

"Oh, oh, it was too funny. I shall die, I know I shall," and she flew off into a fresh paroxysm of laughter.
"You might as well tell me about it," re-

marked her friend in an injured tone. "I've got to go to the dentist tomorrow, and the sleeves of my gown are not nearly large enough, so I need cheering up."

"Well, you see—ha, ha, ha! The old hired girl has left, and the new one can't come until Monday, so I have been busy all day helping mamma. I had just finished tidying the parlors awhile ago and gone up stairs when I heard the doorbell ring. I was sure it was you, and as I had something to tell you-I've forgotten what it was, but it was something important-I flew down to open the door. And, oh, El-sie, there was Dick Van Snelle!"

"You don't mean it?" "I do. And, oh, you should have seen me! My face was dirty, I had on an old wrapper, and my head was tied up in a towel. Oh, I thought I'd simply die." "And no wonder!"

"I stood there only a minute, but it seemed hours, and then he asked if Miss Elaine was in. It flashed over me instantly that he was so near sighted he had failed to recognize me in my disarray, so I just courtesied and said, 'Will yez plaze to walk in, sorr, and I'll be after tellin her yez want

to see her.'"
"Well, you are a wonder! That all comes of your amateur theatricals. I'll never make fun of them again."

"Well, I just flew up stairs, got into an afternoon gown and sailed down, smiling sweetly and apologizing for the new maid, and he never once suspected.

"You don't say so! But perhaps he was only pretending?" "No, he wasn't, for he laughed and told me what a fright she was."
"You don't mean it! What did you"-"Oh, I replied meekly that that was just

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